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SCDMV customers should be aware that emails or text messages from any entity claiming to be the SCDMV, or its equivalent, that ask recipients to verify their driver's license information to keep their record up-to-date or to pay a fine or fee by clicking on a link are fraudulent.

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April 27, 2020

Starting Monday, May 4, 2020, the South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles (SCDMV) will expand operations by reopening all 66 branch offices to increase convenience for customers. The additional office openings will allow the SCDMV to service more customers on a daily basis while still adhering to social distancing recommendations. All offices will operate by appointment only.

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"South Carolinians have been extremely patient during this transitional time, and I am appreciative of the number who completed their transactions online or delayed visiting the SCDMV to keep themselves and our employees healthy," said SCDMV Executive Director Kevin Shwedo. "We look forward to returning to full service at the earliest opportunity."

All SCDMV branch offices, with the exception of Allendale and McCormick locations, will be open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. The Allendale and McCormick locations will continue to be open only on Wednesdays during this shift in operations. Any additional changes in branch office hours will be announced in the future. All SCDMV and State of South Carolina offices are closed Monday, May 11, 2020 in accordance with the published state holiday schedule.

"We recognize the recent limitation of operating only 46 of our offices," said SCDMV Director of Branch Services Courtney Saxon. "Reopening branches that have been temporarily closed due to the pandemic, will significantly increase the number of appointments we can make available to customers."

Customers must continue to adhere to social distancing measures, ensuring six feet of physical separation between themselves and others. The SCDMV will limit the number of customers inside a branch office, and agency personnel will continue to serve customers at every other counter in the office to ensure proper spacing.

Non-commercial road tests remain suspended indefinitely due to social distancing concerns. A customer in need of a non-commercial road test may contact a licensed driving school in South Carolina to determine if the driving school is offering road tests. Additionally, the SCDMV will continue to offer a limited number of commercial driver's license (CDL) skills tests and will continue to conduct motorcycle licensing road tests.

To further enhance social distancing and prevent customers from having to physically visit an SCDMV branch office, the SCDMV is expanding its online transaction capability.

As a reminder, the SCDMV has temporarily extended the expiration date of some SCDMV products like driver's licenses, ID cards, vehicle registrations, and temporary license plates.

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